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Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is a Certificate of Correction with respect to the above-identified U.S. Patent.

The corrections indicated should be made as the application originally filed does not contain such errors. There is no requirement for payment of a fee since the errors were made by the Patent Office.

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It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Cover page, second line of ABSTRACT, "includes: a" should read --includes a--.

Cover page, eighth line of ABSTRACT, "surface, wherein:" should read --surface--.

Cover page, ninth line of ABSTRACT, "an invertebral" should read --An intervertebral--.

Cover page, eleventh line of ABSTRACT, "bones, and at least one of" should read --bones. Each of--.

Cover page, twelfth line of ABSTRACT, "is a saddle shaped surface" should read --has a toroidal saddle shaped surface--.

Cover page, seventeenth line of ABSTRACT, "bending." should read --bending, whereby the engaging articulation surfaces include opposing constant radius of curvature surfaces that are non-congruent.--

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